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PRAYER FLOWER

MIKASE HAYASHI

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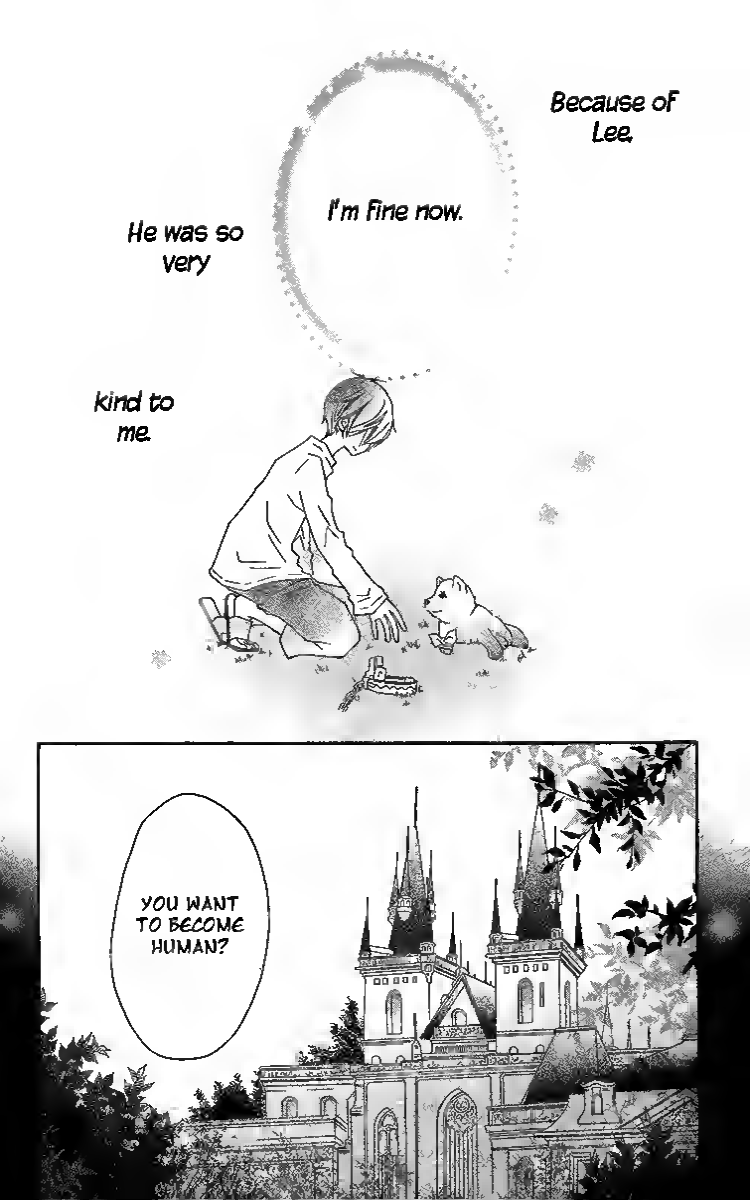
Never ending pure feelings.

祈り花

PRAYER FLOWER

I want you to be happy. I want you to smile more and more and more and more...


Because of Lee,
I'm fine now.
He was so very
kind to me.
YOU WANT TO BECOME HUMAN?

That human ... Lee ... I want to tell him, "Thank you."
I'M NOT PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN THE REASON,
BUT ARE YOU WILLING TO PAY THE HIGH PRICE FOR SUCH A WISH?
Whatever the price, I'll pay it!!
be it fish or mushrooms!
LITTLE ONE.
THINGS HOLD NO VALUE FOR A WIZARD LIKE ME,
And what you offer is trash.
SAD...
Are you not going to grant my wish?
glow!
IF YOU ALLOW ME TO ENJOY MYSELF,
THERE IS NO WISH I WON'T FULFILL.
LET'S SEE..
HOW ABOUT THIS?

The price will be, "When you gain human intelligence, it will be accompanied by greed."
POOF!
Did I become a HUMAN? My voice?
FLAP
FLAP!
KOFF
KOFF
THAT'S TO BE EXPECTED UP UNTIL NOW, YOU HAVEN'T SPOKEN WORDS.
YOU NEED TO KNOW
IF YOU TELL ANYONE YOUR TRUE IDENTITY OR IF ANYONE FIGURES IT OUT, YOU WILL DISAPPEAR.
Don't forget
THANK YOU
GLOW
YOU'VE EXACTED A CRUEL PRICE THIS TIME, MASTER.
But she left happy
ECSTATIC!
WHEN A PURE BEING SUDDENLY GAINS INTELLIGENCE, AND A LITTLE BIT OF COVETOUSNESS IS ADDED,
THAT BEING CANNOT CONTROL THEIR FEELINGS OF GREEDY-LOVE FOR ANOTHER

That is the nature
of a pact with a devil.
OWW!
OUCH!
IF YOU TRY TO UNFASTEN IT WITHOUT KNOWING WHAT YOU'RE DOING, IT WILL EAT INTO YOU MORE.
There's a trick to it.
It won't come off!
CLANK
CLANK
I FINALLY BECOME HUMAN ONLY TO GET CAUGHT IN A TRAP.
I JUST WANTED TO SEE LEE.
STOP!
OH!

It's Lee!!
Bear with it for a little while
DOES IT STING?
IT HURTS A LITTLE
DID YOU COME FROM A FOREIGN COUNTRY?
HUH?
I MEAN THE WAY YOU SPEAK
OH, I SEE
OH! UM, WELL, I CAME FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THAT MOUNTAIN.
flustered
IT WILL BE DIFFICULT FOR YOU TO CROSS BACK OVER THE MOUNTAIN ON THIS FOOT, SO UNTIL IT HEALS, WHY DON'T YOU STAY HERE?
Can I?

こんにちは　または
初めまして　木林かせです。

このコミックスをお手にとって
くださり　ありがとうございます！　嬉しいです！

8冊目のコミックスです。
前回からブランクもあり
今までとは半信半疑で
この本を書いております。（爆）。
ああ　でも　嬉しいな。
本当に　嬉しいな。
応援して下さる方や
支えて下さる方のおかげです。

新連載「折り姫」
仕事＋執筆！！で入ってます。
楽しんでもらえるといいな。

Lee! I picked these mushrooms. Eat them, okay?
DROP
OH! THESE ARE THE ONES I GAVE TO HIM...
MOTAGI MUSHROOM SOUP! HERE YOU GO!
THEY WERE GIVEN TO ME.
THESE MUSHROOMS ONLY GROW IN THE MOUNTAIN RECESSES.
THEY'RE QUITE DELICIOUS.
MADE LEE HAPPY!
MY GIFT
It smells good
Bread!
Amazing!
TAP
TAP
Lee smile more and more.
But I just planted!
I smell it mole!
SNIFF!
SNIFF!
I want to see

I want
to be with
him longer.
SCRATCH
SCRATCH
SCRATCH
SCRATCH
SCRATCH
THIS WOUND DOESN'T HAVE TO HEAL
ZASH
ZASH
JERK!
HEY!
It's gotten really bad!
IT'S PROBABLY ITCHING BECAUSE IT'S HEALING, BUT
IF YOU SCRATCH, THEN SCABS CAN'T FORM
Kya!
DRIBBLE...
YEAH, IT IS!
Oh. This? IT'S JUST BLOOD!
I'M GOING TO SELL THIS CLOTH
SO I CAN GET SOME MONEY SHALL WE GO SHOPPING AFTER?
YEAH!

GLANCE
I'VE NEVER SEEN SO MANY THINGS BEFORE
PSST
THAT'S BECAUSE IT'S A WHOLE SALE STORE.
THE ALCOTTS OWN THE LAND IN THIS AREA
CLUTCH
WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU PAID THE RENT? I'M APPLYING THESE TOWARDS THAT.
IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH IT, SHALL I RETURN THEM TO YOU?
YEAH, YEAH, I'LL TAKE THEM.
HUH?
WHAT ABOUT PAYMENT?

I WAS HOPING TO GET SOME MONEY SO I COULD BUY YOU SOME CHEESE
CHEESE?
THIS
SINCE I COULDN'T DESCRIBE IT TO YOU, I WANTED YOU TO TASTE IT IT TASTES WONDERFUL MELTED ON BREAD
YOU WANTED TO GET IT FOR ME?! LEE YOU RE SO KIND!
Aja!
But I don't have money to buy it
SHALL WE HEAD HOME?
When we get home we'll have left over mushroom soup
CLAT

GOT IT.
Stinky!
I GOT SOME MORE BREAD
SO LEE WILL BE HAPPY.
GOOD MORNING, LEE.
LEE?
CHIRP CHIRP CHIRP
I'll be cute too

SOMEBODY, I HAVE NO CLUE WHO,
LEFT THIS FOOD HERE
THE PERSON LEFT FLOWERS TOO
They're Fleabane daisies
I WANTED TO TELL HIM IT WAS ME!
IF your true identity is discovered, you'll disappear
I DON'T WANT TO JUST THANK HIM, I WANT TO TELL HIM THE TRUTH
Hiccup
I WANT TO STAY A LITTLE LONGER
BUT IF I DO, I'LL DISAPPEAR
Hiccup
LEE, YOU'RE A GOOD PERSON,
SO GOD GAVE YOU A GIFT.
IT'LL BE ALL RIGHT IF I SAY IT'S FROM GOD
Heh heh!
I'M SURE OF IT.
...
I SEE

I'll kindly bring him more
I'll do anything to make Lee happy.
ALL RIGHTY THEN! I'LL USE THE CHEESE AND PREPARE A FEAST FOR YOU, HIYO-DORI.
HOORAY!
Thank you for giving me the food. Here's a gift as thanks
and more.
Goodness! Look at the sanctimony
Read the letter to me
HIYODORI, IT'S TIME TO GO TO SLEEP
YES!

?!
HIYODORI, YOU'RE LIKE A DOG OR A CAT
HUH?
I AM NOT A D-DOG!
DID I DO SOME-THING WEIRD?!
Yeah, I know
SPRING!
Fwump
WHAT I MEANT IS THAT YOU'RE CUTE
Come here
PAT
PAT
More.

I want him to smile.
I want to fulfill Lee's wishes.
and more
RIP!
FWUMP
FWUMP
FWUMP
STOMP STOMP
CHIRP CHIRP
IT'S THE MEAT YOU SAID YOU WANTED TO EAT.
LEE!
THIS MUCH!
...
YES, IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE SO KIND!
AREN'T YOU HAPPY?

I'M GRATEFUL.
IT'S JUST THAT IF I COULD USE MY FOOT, I COULD...
BUT THAT'S A WISH THAT WILL NEVER COME TRUE
SO YOU WISH FOR ME TO HEAL LEE'S FOOT?
Well now, what have we here?
:
YES.
I WILL PAY THE PRICE FOR THAT WISH TO BE FULFILLED
OF COURSE.
Hehehehe
WELL THEN,

as payment "you will relinquish the punishment for your crimes."
CRIME?
YOU STOLE FOOD, RIGHT?
From the wholesale store...yes?
IS THAT ALL?
OH?
THE PRICE IS THAT NOTHING BAD WILL HAPPEN.
FOR A DEMON, YOU ARE KIND.
A DEMON'S PRICE IS ALWAYS OF EQUIVALENT VALUE, ISN'T IT?
Heh! Heh!
ONCE YOU'VE TASTED THE SWEET HONEY, THERE'S NO GOING BACK.
SHE'S AS PITIABLE AS SHE IS STUPID
ALL THAT REMAINS IS FOR HER TO RISE TO THE PINNACLE OF JOY

so she can writhe in the agony of the fall.
IT'S A MIRACLE, HIYODORI!!
DASH!!
HIYODORI!
There she is!
LEE!
I CAN MOVE MY FOOT!
LEE'S
FOOT!

NOW I CAN DO ANY-THING
I CAN GO ANYWHERE -- EVEN TO YOUR VILLAGE!
I CAN GO TO FAR, FAR OFF PLACES
THE WORLD HAS OPENED
THE WORLD OPENED?
YEAH!
I WANT TO SHOW IT TO YOU, HIYODORI
WILL YOU COME WITH ME?
YES, I'LL GO!
YEAH, LET'S GO
Hug!
LEE?

IT'S LIKE A DREAM.
YEAH
I'M SO HAPPY!
I'M SO HAPPY
MY HEART COULD BURST!
YEAH
THERE REALLY IS A GOD.
That's not what happened!

It wasn't a miracle, Lee.
MS ALCOTT?
The girl from the wholesale store?
OH NO... I'VE BEEN CAUGHT...
I HAD BEEN DOING IT IN SECRET UP UNTIL NOW
What is she saying?
SO YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S BEEN LEAVING ME FOOD
YES.
WHAT?
IRK!

WHY?
BECAUSE YOUR FOOT IS HURT, AND EVEN THOUGH YOU TRY REALLY HARD,
PAPA AND MAMA DON'T TREAT YOU KINDLY. SO —
NO, THE TRUTH IS
I'M HAPPY YOU FOUND OUT.
I LIKE YOU, AND EVEN IF IT'S ONLY A LITTLE, I WANT TO HELP YOU
Why?
That's not what happened.
I'm the one
Who brought the food?..
I don't want him to know.
the truth about the stealing . . .
But I can't tell him
THANK YOU

!
YOU WANT TO TELL THE TRUTH, BUT YOU CAN'T, CAN YOU?
YOU STOLE FROM MY FAMILY AND GAVE THE GOODS TO LEE.
HOW DOES SHE KNOW?
RECENTLY MY PARENTS HAVE BEEN SAYING THINGS HAVE BEEN GOING MISSING.
IT DIDN'T TAKE MUCH THOUGHT TO FIGURE OUT THE IDENTITY OF THE THIEF
SO I THOUGHT I'D TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SITUATION TO GET CLOSE TO LEE..

THAT WAS CUSTOM-MADE FOR ME.
YET YOU WALK AROUND THE TOWN NON-CHALANTLY WEARING A STOLEN ITEM.
HOW SHAMELESS CAN YOU BE?!
Oh...
AND AS FOR YOU, MS. THIEF, A FITTING PUNISHMENT MUST BE DEALT.
TINK!
DON'T YOU KNOW ANY BETTER?!
Aagh!
FINE, BUT
DON'T TELL LEE—!
Pause!
!
IS THAT HATRED WRITTEN ACROSS YOUR FACE?!

she smiles with Lee while talking about things
I don't understand
Day after day.
Today I brought over some nails for you to choose Prom.
IN EXCHANGE, DON'T GET IN MY WAY.
Good.
What's wrong?
Huddle
YES, I LIKE YOU.
SPANG
REALLY?
YEAH.
...YOU'RE HURTING ME, HIYODORI.
LEE DO YOU LIKE ME?
Lee!
KNEAD
Lee is completely mine.

But Lee said
he likes me.
Liar...
I baked you an apple pie.
LEE
BA-M!
OH, LEE. THE BREAD
Please accept this as a token of gratitude. I made it
Oh, a leather bracelet
Liar...
LEE?
Here it is!
MS. ALCOTT!
DASH!

"When you gain human intelligence, it will be accompanied by greed."
I don't understand!
"You will relinquish the punishment for your crime."
Seeing him smile
without knowing the truth,
I hate it!!
It's that lying woman's fault.
I hate it.
I hate it.

I did it for Lee's sake.
and yet.
and yet...
THUNK.
I don't understand !!
I was the one who gave everything to Lee.
I gave him food. I healed his foot.
Everything.
All of it.
There is no God.

STAB!
HIYO-DORI?
both of his feet!!
he can do without
IF that's the case, then this time,
IF Lee couldn't use his foot again,
he wouldn't be able to live without me, right?

My heart is becoming blacker.
...I ONLY WANTED TO SAY, "THANK YOU."
I don't want to take away Lee's feet.
BUT THEN I WANTED YOU TO THANK ME MORE AND MORE.
I don't want these feelings.
sloop...
?!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
SPRING!
DON'T PULL IT OUT! IT'S STOPPING YOU FROM BLEEDING!
...
HELP
HELP ME, LEE.

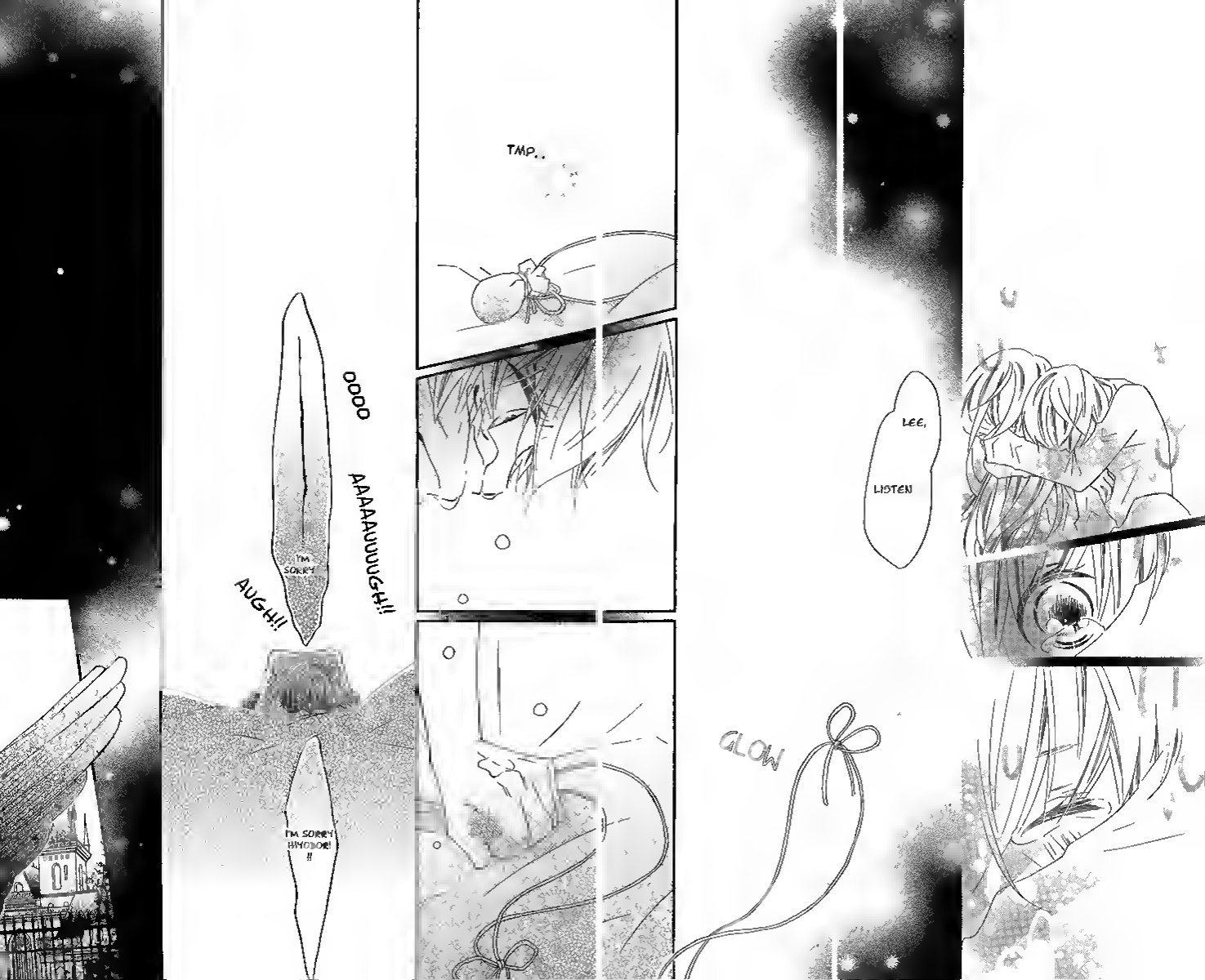
HIYODORI!
I CAN'T STOP!
CALM DOWN.
I CAN HELP YOU.
YOU FREED ME FROM TRAPS
YOU SAID YOU WANTED TO MAKE MONEY SO YOU COULD BUY ME SOME CHEESE TO EAT
STOP, HIYODORI.
THAT'S NOT TRUE.
YOU SAID YOU'D SHOW ME THE WORLD
STOP!
:
YOU'RE ALWAYS KIND TO ME.
ONLY YOU
HAVE SHOWN ME ANY KINDNESS.
LOTS AND LOTS --

DON'T GLORIFY ME...
BECAUSE YOU DON'T UNDER-STAND ANY-THING!
I DO KNOW!
I'VE NEVER TAKEN MY EYES OFF YOU!
DO YOU MEAN ME HOBBLING ABOUT?!
OR ME GRUM-BLING ABOUT MY FOOT?
YOU "KNOW?"
OR ME KNOWING THAT
MS. ALCOTT WASN'T BRINGING THE FOOD,
YET KEEPING QUIET ABOUT IT?
A DOG I HELPED BROUGHT THE FOOD.
I WAS STRUGGLING TO FEED MYSELF, SO I WAS GRATEFUL.
LEE?
I'M ACCEPTING MS. ALCOTT'S GOODWILL FOR THE SAME REASON
I'M DOING IT ALL FOR MYSELF
No.

"IF someone figures out your true identity, you'll disappear."
I WANT YOU TO KNOW
No . . .
No.
ARE YOU DISAP-POINTED?
SO I HAD A DEMON TURN ME INTO A HUMAN.
Lee.
listen.
Lee,
I WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU.
I got caught in a trap, while lost in the forest.
I couldn't get out, and it hurt,
and I was hungry.
and I was sad.
Being alone was scary.
LISTEN,
I WAS ABANDONED RIGHT AFTER I WAS BORN.

BUT THEN YOU HELPED ME
I THOUGHT I WOULD DIE...
IT WAS DELICIOUS
YOU GAVE ME BREAD
IT WAS THE BEST THING I'VE EVER EATEN
IT WAS SO DELICIOUS
At last I got to tell you.
I KNEW IT WAS THE DOG I WROTE A LETTER AND MADE A NECK-LACE KNOWING THAT
I DID IT JUST TO MAKE MYSELF FEEL BETTER
YEAH
YOU DID IT BECAUSE OF THAT?

THAT'S ENOUGH.
I CAN HEAR YOUR "THANK YOU."
I'M SURE GOD DID THAT.
?!
YOU FOUND OUT MY TRUE IDENTITY, SO I'M GOING TO DISAPPEAR
LIKE THE DEMON SAID
DID YOU ALSO HEAL MY FOOT?
NO...


TMP..
LEE,
LISTEN
GLOW
OOOO
AAAAAUUUUGH!!
I'M SORRY
AUGH!!
I'M SORRY BIYODOR!!

AH, THE LAST MOMENT WAS SOMEWHAT OF A LETDOWN.
BY THE WAY, IT SEEMS THE BOY LEFT THE FOREST.
She disappeared untainted.
IF HE GOES OUT INTO THE WORLD, THE TEMPTATIONS WILL ONLY MULTIPLY.
ISN'T THAT WHY IT'S FUN?
HUMANS ARE GREEDY CREATURES.
HEY, LEE,
LEE
YOU SAID YOU'D TAKE ME WITH YOU
THE WORLD OPENER, RIGHT?
He'll come to me eventually.
I wonder how long he will be able to resist?
I'm looking forward to it.
THE END

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